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STABILITY OF FLUORINATED  
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DIELECTRIC CONSTANT MATERIALS

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed September 4, 2003. Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

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